

The French Broad Hustler

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A CALL TO DUTY.

This is the season of leisure with most farmers, for the crops have been "laid by." The country boy is having his holiday, and how he does enjoy it after a long, hard summer's work! But this holiday is not to be a long one, for our schools are to open soon. The Hustler now, at the beginning of a new school year, entreates every boy and girl of school age in Henderson County, to enter the first day that school opens, and stay until it closes.

One great reason why our schools are not successful is that the parents fail to have their children attend regularly. A child loses interest, gets behind in its classes, when it begins to stay out of school. We care not how hard the teacher may work, he may have complete control over his classes, every pupil may be induced to high endeavor through the inspiration caught from his teacher, but just so soon as the pupil begins to miss school the link between teacher and pupil is weakened, and finally the pupil has lost all interest in school and study. The teacher at one time had complete control over this pupil; he could thrill his young soul with a thirst for knowledge, a desire for the sublime and beautiful. But remaining at home one or two days out of a week breaks interest in school, and finally the pupil becomes so discouraged that he begs to stop school. The teacher often times is blamed for this lack of interest. The parents of this pupil begin to talk about the school, saying that the teacher is a poor one; the children do as they please. The fault is not in the teacher, it is not in the child, but in the parents. We know all of our teachers are not just as we should like to have them, but if the parents would "stand by" the teacher even if he is a poor one, the school could be made to benefit the community no little.

Parents, let us reason together; we are going to ask a few questions and hope to hear them answered when school opens, by being well attended in every district in the County. Have you given your boys and girls a chance to make men and women? Have you encouraged them to go to school, and when in school seen that they remained there until the end of the session? Have you always been loyal to your teacher, and have you aided him all you could to make the school a success? The Hustler wants the parents of Henderson county to think of these questions—and think seriously.

The Old North State is making rapid strides along all lines, especially so in education. Let our County keep pace with the other counties of the State. We are and have been progressing industrially and educationally, but we hope to see our county forge to the front within the next year as she has never before. Let all our schools be filled, let us make this the most successful school year of all, and our average attendance be the highest in the history of the county. Parents, see to it that your boys and girls have a chance in life's great battles.

JUDGE LONG IN THE SADDLE.

The state has won the first battle for supremacy in the passenger rate matter and Judge Long is to be congratulated for the bold and righteous stand maintained by him, as a servant of the people, from the day he ordered the indictments sent to the grand jury until the final hearing on Friday afternoon in the superior court of Wake county. True bills had been found against the Southern's agent at Raleigh for selling tickets at a greater rate than two and a quarter cents, the maximum rate fixed by the last legislature, and said agent appeared at the bar on Friday for trial. After a full and complete investigation the defendant was found guilty given his choice of going on the roads or paying a nominal fine and promising to "be good" hereafter. He chose the latter and is a free man again after spending a night in jail for refusing to execute a bond of one hundred dollars for his appearance at the time previously set by the court to try the case. Fearing Federal interference, Judge Long ordered the prisoner placed in his custody and although Judge Pritchard journeyed all the way to the State capital from Asheville, for some purpose he came back without taking any issue with Judge Long's construction of the law or his determined effort to enforce it.

So in this case the new law is fully vindicated and the right of the State to govern itself seems assured. The convicted agent surrendered his position rather than take chances on going to the chaingang and this means that the railroads are beginning to realize that that they are impotent to protect their employes in violations of the rate law. It is well. Every citizen of the should be given to understand that he is amenable to our laws and all violations ought to be investigated, whether committed by the humblest citizen or the millionaire. Judge Long has met the opposition at every turn in the Wake case and the learned railroad attorneys, for once have run upon a proposition which is given them sufficient amusement. They have been "knocked off their feet" and the deed was cleverly done. The interest has been great and the people will be glad to know that they they have won out in the most exciting legal contest of modern times.

It is expected that similar indictments will be made in every other county in the State, certainly one in each judicial district, so that the question of whether the state shall govern itself or submit to the attempted infringements upon her rights by the Federal Courts. The interest has only just begun should the railroads persist in resisting the enforcement of laws enacted after careful consideration and upon their sworn reports to the Corporation Commission. The people of North Carolina are united upon the proposition of compelling all corporations to obey the laws and there can be no half-way ground in the matter. The habit the railroads have of fighting everything and yielding to nothing that happens to displease them is to their own hurt. It is most unfortunate for them that this rate question has resulted with so much strife and bitterness between their representatives and the people of the State. How much better for the roads to have

given the new law a fair trial, instead of enabling a Federal judge for a restraining order. The Southern Railway has been found guilty of violating the passenger rate law and Judge Long imposes a fine of \$80,000. If this fine is collected, scores of others will be imposed in other sections of the State and there is no telling where the thing is going to end. Judge Pritchard may as well come off his high horse and do some judicious backing down. The people are determined to see that the law is enforced regardless of consequences. Why continue a senseless controversy over a matter which is "so plain a fool need not err therein."

The present rate law is a compromise measure anyway, and there is no just cause for complaint by any of the parties of the controversy. The "rate reductionists" wanted a two-cent fare, the opposition two and one half cents and the Legislature compromised the matter by fixing the rate at two and a quarter cents. This appeared to be fair to all and it is to be regretted that any difference have arisen concerning this result. But there is now only one alternative, that of standing by the State courts and letting Judge Pritchard know that he is not bigger than the state. Judge Long has given him one lesson already.

THE NEW CHAIRMAN.

The democracy of North Carolina is to be congratulated upon the election of Mr. Hugh Chatham, of Surry county, as chairman of the State Committee to succeed Senator Simmons, who insisted that his resignation should be accepted by the committee at the recent meeting in Raleigh. There was a strong sentiment favorable to the acceptance of Mr. Simmons' resignation to take effect when the new committee organizes next year, but the Senator was so insistent that many who at first favored the suggestion finally decided to accede to his wishes and supported the resolution providing for the immediate retirement of the chairman, which was adopted by a vote of 44 to 19. The name of Hugh Chatham was presented to the committee by Mr. E. F. Aydtlett, of Elizabeth City, and the suggestion struck a responsive chord. Seconding speeches were made by Messrs. R. A. Doughton, of Allegheny, Paul B. Means, of Cabarrus, Edmund Jones of Caldwell, Josephus Daniels, of Wake and others, at the conclusion of which his nomination was, upon motion of the writer, made by acclamation. Referring to the election of Mr. Chatham the News and Observer editorially says:

"Mr. Hugh Chatham, of Surry county who was elected Chairman of the Democratic State Executive Committee is the best type of the captains of industry who demand not special privilege but succeed in manufacturing by industry and good business judgment. Long before any railroad invaded Surry, Mr. Chatham's father had a water-power wool mill that made blankets that were in truth 'all wool and a yard wide.' With the coming of the railroad the mill was enlarged, the new chairman came into the company, and it has grown to be a flourishing and prosperous industry. Within the last year a company with over a third of a million dollars capital has been organized at Winston-Salem, with Mr. Chatham at the head to build a big woolen factory at that flourishing city."

Mr. Chatham has never held public office and has no ambition in that direction but he has given his best services to the party in every campaign since he attained his majority. He was appointed by Governor Aycock and reappointed by Governor Glenn as President of the North Carolina Railroad. He has no voice in the management of the road which was leased long before his ap-

pointment to the Southern Railway. His only duty is to protect the interests of the State property. He was appointed because he is a careful and prudent business man.

Mr. Chatham will fill the position that came to him unvoluntarily with good judgment and discretion, will hold the scales evenly, and will not permit the powers of the position to be used for the advancement of fortunes of any candidate."

The Pig Race.

The pig race at Laurel Park Rink last Friday night was a pronounced success. About three hundred people were present to witness the chase, and about twenty boys put on their overalls and got busy with the grasy pig. Not all got the pig but every fellow got the grease alright and Mr. Hicks Garren boxed the pig.

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